THE REVOLUTION IN CUBA EVERYTHING PROMISING CESPEDES A SPEEDY TRIUMPH.

anda on the Puerto Principe Railroad Famine and Disease Doing their Work

- Engagement near Santiage de CubaThe Patrict Forces in Excellent Spirits

- Decisive Engagement Expected.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Gen. Quesada had conrol of communication between the coast and Puerto

Principe on the 26th ult. The inhabitants of that city are completely at the mercy of the volunteer rage, It is almost impossible to obtain supplies, d the sufering of the people is indescribable Fighting is reported at several points in Gen. Jor dan's department, where the Spanish troops have been reinforced betwo regiments of volunteers and battalion of regulars from Havans.

Near Santiago de Cuba the Cubans were attacked by a superior force of Spanlards, and at first were driven from their position with some lors; but they were rallied, and, reinforced by troops from Gen Figueros' command, regained their position and compelled the Spanish troops to retire.

It is reported that a small foraging party of Cubans

ere caltired near Remedies, and another near Bagus la Grande. The number of Cubans thus capforcd was St, and it is leared they viere immediately

The Cuban troops, it is reported, continue to be free from disease, and in excellent spirits. The com manders are moving to take advantage of the present demoralized condition of the Spanish forces. Within twenty days decisive action may be ex-ected in the Eastern Department, which will give

the Cubans control of the affairs of that part of the THE GUNBOAT SEIZURE FARCE.

Probable Release of the Vessels on Saturday

-The Spanish Authorities see a Friendly Hand in the Business. The "seizure" of the Spanish gunboats will soon revive the memorable closing clause of the cor-respondents' letters during the late war, "Nobody hurt." A number of the representatives of Spain, with whom a reporter of THE SUN conversed yesterwhich has been aimed at their Government by the the Secretary of State was simply absurd: but they an order for the release of the boats in a few days. add, too, that the seizures have put the Spanbh Government to no inconvenience, as the vessels will not be ready for sea in less than a fortnight or three weeks. We learn, however, that Minister

PROSPECTIVE RELEASE OF THE GUNDOATS. It was stated in THE SUN, in connection with a report of the scizure, that the vessels would proba-bly be released in a few days, and that their deten-Non was intended as an offset to the popular meet-ling on Monday. These facts will be amply corroboated in the permission which the Secretary of State will give to take them out of this port, but it is possible that the Secretary will exact a promise from the Spanish Minister that the gunboats shall not be used in the war-which was closed two years ago-

PORGETFULNESS OF PISH

A reporter of THE SUN has had an interview with prominent Spaniard in this city, who is on intimate terms with Minister Roberts. He found the gentleman at his office yesterday, busily arranging despatches and papers for the Spanish Government, and he frankly confessed that he, in common with all his countrymen in this city, regards the seizure
of the gunboats as simply ridiculous.
"Do you know what led Secretary Fish to order

the scizure?" we asked.
""It was done for political effect," he answered; "but the Spanish Government are not suffering any-lhing from the move. Everybody knows that the thing cannot hold water; but it's unworthy of a great Government to descend to such a trick for positical purposes. You can realize the foolishness of the pretext for the reizure when you remember that the United States sold two of her monitors to Peru, and they are now, I believe, used by that nation. It's no matter, however, for the whole affair will and in less than a week."

FISH AND PIERREPONT IN CONSULTATION. the vessels, in the mansion of the former at Garri-son's-on-the-Hudson, but the result has not been officially made known. It was openly asserted, however, in the Marshal's office yesterday, that there was no information lodged against the gunboats, and that no evidence whatever had been presented to show that they were designed to be used in a war with Peru. In fact, the Federal authorities in chambers street now dismiss the latter notion as ludierous, for they anticipate the result. It is asserted that the President Joined in the consultation on the matter at Mr. Fish's residence.

THE CUBAN JUNTA.

Proposed Purchase of a Gunbont-Ald from Peru.

It has been proposed at a secret meeting of the steamer, which has been offered to them by a large shipping firm in the city, the condition being that she shall be delivered and paid for at sea. The leaders of the Junta, however, hold that it would be impolitic to accept the offer at present. They may purchase the vessel, however, next month. It is asserted that the Peruvian Government have offered Important assistance to the Junta in their great

work, but the nature of the aid proffered has not THE LUDIOW JAIL MACHINE.

How the Harpies Seized a Troy Merchant and Treated Him to a Little Experience in Fashionable Robbery.

From the Troy Times.

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We have another illustration of the manner in which justice is mocked in New York by the arrest of one of our citizens in that city last week. The charge against him was false. The gentleman arrested was the President of a manufacturing company in this city, the nominal capital of which was \$500,000. The company of which he had been the President had never proved to be very successful in its operations, and had been kept alive by resources furnished from his private fands. At one time he owned most of the stock of the company. There were 10,000 shares of \$50 cach. Thirty of them he gave to an individual supposed to have some influence in introsucing the article manufactured by the Company. This individual, from some cause or other, imagined that if he could only get the ear of justice, knowing she was blind, he could, by swearing strong enough, obtain an order of arrest and to hold to bail in an amount which would trouble even some bank presidents to give. The services of a lawyer suitable for that kind of work were secured, the affidavit made, and an order obtained from that apright and distinguished Judge, McCuna, to hold to bail in \$40,000. If all the allegations contained in this affidavit were taken as true (which is desied), the plaintiff would have been calified to recover only \$100. This order of arrest, however, required two sureties, and they must justify is \$30,000 each, which was equivalent to bail in the amount of \$250,000. Upon this basis of bail it would require over \$50,000,000 to bail the defendant if prosecuted by all the stockholders. The arrest was made. The bail must be forthcoring or Mr. E.-Pie-tleat must visit Luddow Street lail. Upon payment of \$100 to the officer who arrested him that calamity was avarted for one day to get time to procure bail. Bail was obtained, the necessary bond executed, and the sureties justified, and by an examination entered how such was done the fees of the clerk in the Sh

A Phenomenon in Columbia County.

the top of a till.

Special Meeting of the Cabinet.

Washington, Aug. 5.—The President is expected to return in season for the special meeting of the Cabinet, which has been called for Tuesday acc.

THE CANCELLED STAMP FRAUDS.

be Porters, Ragmen, Junk Dealers, Brokers, and Speculators of Broad Street Gobbled by Warren, Whippie, Turner

& Co.-Stir Among the Thieves.

The full particulars of the arrest of persons who had been defrauding the Government by cleaning and reissuing internal revenue stamps, were not given in the newspapers of yesterday. The following facts have been obtained from trustworthy ources: About a month ago, Messrs. Warren, Whipple, Turner & Co., of the Independent Detective Agency at 72 Broadway, learned that revenue stamps were sold at a great reduction from the Government rates. Detective officers acting under auvestigation, which culminated on Wednesday in the arrest of John McCartney, P. Carroll, S. II. Harrison, Thos. Byrnes, Fred, Holtze, James Wood, and G. C. Haggerty, and yesterday in the capture of five or six others employed as janitors and ragmen in Broad, New, and Wall streets. These men were held by the U. S. Commissioner yesterday. Other arrests

were made last even g.

It is supposed that the prisoners, with perhaps twice as many who have not been taken, with their confederates—people occupying high positions, who would wink at, and pass over a crime which they would not themselves perpetrate— have cheated the revenue out of many millions of dollars.

It has been the custom of these men and boys to Wall street, New, Nassau and Broad streets, and purchase from them the waste paper of contracts

Wall street, New, Nassau and Broad streets, and ruichase from them the waste paper of contracts, etc., etc., bearing cancelled revenue stamms. Sometimes the janitors were laid cash for the documents at the rate of five per cent. of stamp value, and occasionally they received the renovated stamps at the rate of acoust of per cent. One or two junk dealers also participated in the frauds.

After accumulating a supply of stock the operative retired to his work shop, generally his sleeping appartment—and there cleaned the faces of the stamps. When the canceling had been done with a pen and common writing finit an acid solution was asphile d—where printing ink and a hand a stamp had been employed the cleansing had to be done with constite potash. After the use of the acid or akinli, the stamp was washed in pure water. Thus it had to be dried between blotting sheets, transferred themes to clean sheets of white paper and, subjected to pressure. Then the backs were gummed.

The ctamps one fairly cleaned and dried, were put away in clean packages or envelopes, and sold to small bankers, brokers, dealers in stationery, and large consummers of stamps, real estate dealers, and others who bought at a discount and asked no questions. The speculators in stamps did not generally sell their stock in trade themselves, but engaged clerks, messengers, and others to sell for them.

Some dealers in stamps purchased in large quantities at a discount of from fitteen to twenty per cent, below United States prices. One broker, after buying several lots, consoled his conscience by remarking to the seller that he believed the stamps had bren stolen, and ordering him out of his office, told the young mon to bring no more there. Another said that he bought and asked no questions.

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FROM OUR REPORTERS' NOTE BOOKS. Married and Unmarried-Married Again in

Contempt of Court-Charge of Perjury-Counter Charges, and a Muddle Generally. Henry Jones, a wealthy colored man, obtained decree of divorce from his wife in July, 1866. Two and board, but subsequently cast her off. In consequence the wife instituted a suit of abandonment, al-

The fine marble edifice which has been for some months building on the southeast corner of Broadway and Thirty-first street is to be opened to the public early in September, under the title of Grand Hotel. It fronts on Broadway 110 feet, and 130 feet on Thirty-first street, and contains 350 rooms, 360 of which are bedrooms. The establishment is to be conducted on the European plan, with a restaurant on the ground floor. It is eight stories in beight, with elevators for both guests and bugger. Blee staircase are of black wainst, and the rooms are all separated by brick wails. The building, owned by Mr. E. S. Higgins, is leased by M. a.rs. Robbins & Lachmeyer, who will conduct it as a first-class house.

Habeas Corpus and the House of Reinge. Recently, Mr. Justice Monell released Patrick O'Foole from the House of Refuge because he was not 16 years of age at the time of his committal. Since then applications for other releases on the like ground have been plentiful. There was a case in the Superior Court yesterday before Justice Mc Cuan, wherein the parents of John Wardell sought to regain possession of that hopeful years. Unfor-tunately neither mother nor father, nor their friend O'Rourke, knew the young gentleman's age. The mother said he was born in winter, the lather said in the fall, while Mr. O'Rourke made it June, Jus-tice Mct una adjourned the hearing for the produc-tion of further testimony.

It was not the famous author of "Der Freischüts," but the action opposing Tame and, which met in the form of a General Committee ast night, at 701 Broadway, with Mr. Edward Varian in

chair. They chose committees as follows : Executive, 6; finance, 7; corresponding, 7; naturalization, 8; and printing, 3. It was then unanhously resolved not to mend a delignite to the State Convention to be held in Aliany this full; also, that Ward Committees shall be requested to send in a list of officers and places of meeting.

Mr. Montgomery Queen Beaten Again. The threatened strike of the drivers of the Second avenue Railroad did not take place yesterday, because Mr. Montromery Queen recented and the drivers rectablished the "pass" system instead of compelling the drivers to pay fore going to and returning from work. The public and the railroad company are therefore spared the rectactment of the scenes of a few months ago.

Probable Strike of Sous of Crispin. A strike has been on toot since Tuesday last in all the first-class shops where the members of Cut-ters' Lodge No. 119, of the Knights of St. Crispin are ters' Lodge No. 119, of the Knights of St. Crispin are employed. The men then announced their intention of ceasing work on Monday next, unless an advance of 30 per cent, was paid on both their daily wages and their piece work. Nearly all the employers have agreed to the terms, and probably all will do so before the week closes.

The dancers at the usual weekly hops in St. Mark's Hotel, New Brighton, were startled on Wednesday night by the report that the President bad arrived; but it turned out to be only one of his brothers-in-latt is rumored that De Camp ordered an extra quantity of rhinoceros for yeaterday's dinner on the first receipt of the news, but this lacks confirmation.

LONG ISLAND.

The Long Island and Hicksville and Syosact rail-road litigation has ceased, the Long Island Baliroad Company having purchased the entire property. The North Shore Baliroad Company have concluded to re-tend their road over Manhasset valley. The valley once crossed, the ranninder of the route to Huntington is comparatively easy of construction. The annual cleeting for Directors of the Far Rockaway Branch Haliroad takes place in Jeanings's Hotel, Far Rock-sway, os Monday notif.

A PRESIDENT UP THE RIVER

MR. GRANT FOLDING HIS WINGS AT GARRISON'S.

Pleasant Dreams—A Presidential Broak-fast—Gen. Grant Visits Gen. Butterfield— Rich Scene at the Post Office—The Pairy Light Guard Honx Outdone—The Sail up the Hudson—All Quiet at Secretary Fish's Munsion.

Gen. Grant arose verterday morning considerably refreshed by his night's repose. He had slept soundly. The Presidential eye closed at precisely twelve o'clock and twenty-seven minutes, and immediately after, the Presidential mind ascended to the land of dreams, and contemplated with feelings of indescribable delight his new possessions at Long Branch. The grounds were laid out and terraced, and a magnificent mansion of red brick constructed thereon. The first three hours of the Presidential sleep were consumed in Idreaming of the picturesque scenery in and around Long Branch. Then there was a luli-the dream ceased.

THE PRESIDENT AWAKES.

At 7% o'clock yesterday morning, the Presidentia cye opened, and saw the light of day peering through the blinds into the Presidential chamber. Our Chief Magistrate therefore arose, washed himself and dressed. This done, he took sherry and egg. lit his cigar, and began to read THE SUN. THE PIRST VISITOR.

At 8 o'clock precisely, the first visitor made his appearance. It was an office sceker, and his hungry look unmistakably betrayed his calling. He scratched his name on a piece of pasteboard, and requested to see the President. The latter sent word down that he could not see him, and the office secker left. At 9 o'clock, the President's appetite being sufficiently sharpened, the party sat down to breakfast. Around the breakfast table sat the President, his wife, Nellie Grant, young Jesse Grant, and Mr. Corbin and family. The President ate heartily. The first thing that he attacked was an omelet, next a tender piece of rare porter-house steak, then by way of a change a mouthful of mushroons, á la Florencienne. After up the main course by a ration of hominy, eream, the signal for the entrance of raspberries and This delicate fruit had but a short existence after it came under Presidential notice, for in the twinkling of an eye it shared the fate of the hominy. Breakfast over the cigar was again brought into requisition, and the reading of THE Sun resumed.

From 10 until 11 o'clock the President received the visits of several well-known bores who invariably intrude upon every distinguished personage that visits the city. This seems to be a part of the programme which cannot be dispensed with. At Illib the parlors of Mr. Corbin's house were beginning to be crowded with the aforesaid bores, and the President, glad to escape from their further inflictions, announced that official business required his prosence down town in the public offices, and apologized for adjourning the impromptu bree. He put on his lat, hurried down the brown-stone steps, entered a carriage and drove off. bly intrude upon every distinguished personage that

VISIT TO THE SUB-TREASURY. About half-past eleven the President, accompanied by Mr. Corbin, alighted from a hack in front of the Sub-Treasury, and, according the steps, was ushered into the office of Gen. Butterfield, where he spent a pleasant half hour in conversation, and then proceeded to visit the vaults and other parts of the building. He was deeply intrested, and expressed bimself much pleased with the changes lately introduced in the management of the establishment.

His principal object in visiting the Sub-Treasury was to witness the performance of "bidding" for Uncle Sam's gold, the sale of which, as prescribed by Secretary Boutwell, was about to commence. The President satisfied his curiosity in this respect, and felt highly pleased after it.

A RUSH TO THE POST OFFICE.

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Late in the evening a SEN reporter learned that the rumor had been eriginated by a part of wagish brokers, with ite intention of "selling" the public. In order to give some shadow of realty to the report, they hire! the carriages, which were stationed at the Post Office door, as if awaiting the appearance of the Fr. sident and party. The drivers, probably reting under instructions, replied to all questions relative to the Fresident by simply pointing their whips at the musty old building. During the whole time the originators of this too circle joks were stationed at a window opposite the scene, and one of them was inextressibly gratified by being mistaken for the great man.

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ON THE BOAT.

At half-past 2 the President, wife, daughter, and son bade adien to Mr. Cerbin and his family, and entered a carriage. They arrived at the foot of Desbrosses street in twenty minutes, and proceeded at once on board the Mary Powell. Though the boat did not leave until the regular time, 3½ o'clock, the Presidential party was undisturbed by any obtrusive curtosity, and even when she steamed slowly into the river there was not a soltary cherror handkerchef waved by the little knot of spectators who witnessed the departure.

UP THE RIVER.

The Mary Powell carried an unusually large number of passengers. These were not aware of the presence of the distinguished party until the boat had proceeded on its route some time. The news that Grant was on board circulated very rapidly, and a rush was made to catch a gimpse of him. The President was escated in the forward cabin, with his wire and children at his side. No one else accompanied him. He read a newspaper throughout the tute, and not so much as looked once out of the window at the beautiful secony on either shore. Young Joese, however, roamed all over the boat, and became very popular with every body. He was a bright, intelligent boy, and far from inheriting his father's mode-ty. Mrs. Grant, who was dressed in black silk, followed her husband's example, and perused a pictorial newspaper. Miss Nellie sat next her mother, and helped her to look at the pictures. UP THE RIVER.

At West Point a son of Secretary Fish's received the President and his family, and the party without delay embarked on beard the terryboat West Point, to be conveyed to the cast side of the river to Garrison's. It did not take long to cross the narrow stream. From the boat could be discreded a goodly number of carriages, and above all, the tall and well-proportioned form of the Secretary of State. On landing the President was welcomed by his Minister. He and his family then drove of the Secretary's house, a mile distant. The evening passed away quietly. When our reporter left, the President and Fish were string on the veranda, while Mrs. Grant and the children were being entertained in the parlor by the Secretary's family and a number of friends from the neighborhood. Judge Pierrepont was among those present. The President will remain at Garrison's to-day, and visit the Point. To-morrow he will go to Newburgh. WEST POINT-AT SECRETARY PISH'S.

Preparations for the Reception of the President—Grant in Newburgh.

Newburgh, Aug. 5.—Everybody in Orange county is excited over the intended visit of President Grant to this city on Saturday. Especially are the Newburgh people "worked up." Already the arrangements have received official form and sanction. The preliminary matters appertaining to this proposed visit of the President were arranged at West Point in June last, when Major Clark of Newburgh, and the Hon. Joel T. Headley "interviewed" him in relation to the construction of a carriage road along the above of the river from West Point to Cornwall. At that interview the President promised Major Clark to visit this city in July last but his Long Branch excursion interfered. On Friday last Major Clark had another interview with the President in Washington, when the nations ruler promised to visit Newburgh on Saturday, August 7.

The Committee of Arrangements includes Mayor Clark, Gen. William R. Brown, the Hon. Joel T. Headley, Judge James, W. Taylor, and others. A special committee has chartered the steamer M. Mortin, Gen. Grant's old dispatch boat to take the President from Garrison's or West Point. The boat will leave Garrison's at 9 o'clock on Saturday morning with the Presidential party, in charge of the Common Council Committee, reaching this city at 11 A.

Post Ellis, G. A. R., have declined to join in the procession on the arrival of the President, many of

Preparations for the Reception of the Presi-

number are displeased with the ousting of a legged soldier from the office of post master of city and the substitution of a politician in his d. They clim that Grant was the cause of the ran, when he had given assurance he should be

As soon as the distinguished visitors land they are to be escorted to Wushington's headquarters, where formal speeches are to be delivered by the Newburgh officials, after which the President and his party idne at Mayor Clark's residence, the military and firemen having a collation at the headquarters. At 4 P. M. the visitors are to be escorted to the river again, and taken to Cold Spring on the steamer Martin, when the Committee of Newburgh people will bid added to the President, the latter going to the residence of Gouverneur Kemble.

THE LONG BRANCH MASOUERADE. A Brilliant Speciacle in the Stetson House

Life at the Branch notwithstanding the Flight of the Chief Magistrate. Long Branch, Aug. 5.—The masquerade ball even by the Coterie of the New York at the Stetson House, this evening, was a grand success. At 10 Plains. The presentment is as follows: clock the doors of the large ball-room were thrown open, and the masqueraders entered in costumes of very description. Dodworth's orchestra and military band furnished the music. The followingtary band furnished the music. The following-named gentlemen composed the committee: Direc-tor, George W. Hinkle, Jr.; Floor Managers, C. S. Jones, H. L. Tracey, T. Thompson, S. S. Jones, C. A. Stetson, Jr., W. M. Fleiss, J. S. Abcensis, P. R. Stetson, Col. G. W. Kidd, Julian L. Myers, W. B. Borrows, A. McC. Stetson, J. Howe, Jr., Sheridan Shock, Enos Runyon, J. P. Stetson, Berj. Allen, J. G. Moody, and A. J. Carmany.

THE MAST HOPE DISASTER.

The Release of Engineer Griffin on \$6,000 Bail-Griffin and Wife Return Home. Pour Jenvis, Aug. 5.—In accordance with the appointment of Judge Sharswood, of Milford, Pa., in the jail of which town engineer Griffin has been confined, Mr. C. A. Miller, banker of Susque hanna depot, and James Creegan, merchant of Port Jervis, presented themselves in the of Port Jervis, presented themselves in the court room on Wednesday morning and gave bonds in \$6,000 for the appearance of Griffin a the September term of the Pike county Oyer and Terminer, to answer any criminal charges that may be preferred against him arising out of the Mast Hope disaster. Griffin was then released, and in company with his wife, who has never left him during all his troubles, sharing them with womanly devotion, departed for home from the Susquenanna depot. Griffin is thin and dejected, but says that he was well used in prison.

WAR IN THE REPUBLICAN CAMP. The Radical General Committee in Conn-

cil-A Sop for the Workingmen-The Cause of the Row to be Inv gated. The Union Republican General Committee (Radical) met last evening in 937 Broadway, Mr.

John V. Gridley in the chair. The main business of the meeting was to inquire into the facts and causes of the organization of a new Republican General Committee, as reported in THE SUN of Wednesday; but before proceeding with that matter, Mr. Sam-uel Minnes, of the Seventeenth Assembly District, offered the following resolutions on the Eight-Hour

herefore Resolved. That the Republican Associations is each Association. That the Republican Associations is each Association between the and are hereby requested to nominate for office none but those who are in favor of the Eight-Hour law.

Association that a copy of these resolutions be furwarded to each of the District Associations, signed by the proper officers. Adopted unanimously.

Mr. James W. Culver then moved that a Committee of three be appointed to inquire and report whether there were any members of this General Committee holding seats therein while they belonged at the same time to any other organization inimical to it.

The Tennessee Election.

Memphis, Aug. 5.—Hardeman county, 1,000 m prity for Senter.

Three districts in Carroll county give Senter 574; Stokes, 3. Milan, 340 for Senter; 306 for Stokes. Tergyan, 559 for Senter; 133 for Stokes. Madison county gives Senter 2,000 majority.

Trenton gives Stokes 33 and Senter 674. Union City (official) gives Senter 504, 8tokes 28, Etheridge 503, and Underwood 25. Weakley county 3,000 majority for Senter. Grand Junction gives Stokes 107 and Senter 112. Bartlett gives 32 majority for Stokes. Mason, in Tipton county, gives Stokes 206 and Senter 85. Covington town gives Senter 310, Stokes 19. Brownsville gives 490 for Senter and 663 for Stokes. Haywood gives Senter atout 300 majority.

Slaughter and Clark, both Democrats, are elected, the former to the Senate and the latter to the House.

The Mississippi Election. The Mississippi Election.

Jackson, Aug. 5.—The Clarion to-day publishes an address to the people of Mississippi, signed by 135 gentlemen of the fold Whig and Lemocratic schools, and representing nearly every county in the State. They advise the people to support the National Union Rypoblican party, and vote for the lickethory present, assured that it will be composed of gentlemen actuated by conservative and patriote principles, taking Virginia as their example in the coming contest, and assuring the people that this party sustains the views of President Grant and the Congressional plan of reconstruction.

The National Union Ropublican party have called a nominating Convention, to assemble on the 5th of September in this city.

The Alabama Election.

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Selma, Aug. 5.—Ryland Randolph, editor of the Independent Monitor, has been elected to the Legislature from Tuscalossa, by a majority of 540, being a Democratic gain of 400 in that county.

The Fire Commissioners indignantly deay that they intend to delay the erganization of the new de partment until atter the fall election. H. B. Dimond was arrested yesterday on the charge of obtaining subscriptions for a book not yet in existence, but which he intends soon to publish.

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Robort W. Bogart, late Paynonster's clerk, was placed on trial by naval court martial yeaserday at the Navy Yard, on the charge of absconding with about \$40,000 belonging to the Uulted States Government.

The Board of Water and Sewerage Commissioners were presterday restrained by an injunction from interfering with the word of the Brooklyn Improvement Company by constructing a sewer on Third avonue, between Third and Sixth streets.

George Emil Rau has been doing an extensive business in the robbery of Williamsburgh boarding houses. The noise have been tracking blin for a long time, and Capt. Wogiom captured bim yeareday from the control of t

tin.

John Nolan, bartender at Lackey's liquor atore in Williamsburgs, found Thomas Semmersgill and Minute Purvis in a room at the rear of the liquor store last evening, and attempted to open them. This irritated Sammersgill, and he repeatedly struck at Nolan, when the latter took a club and struck him thrice on the base of the liquor store in the latter took a club and struck him thrice on the bead, prounding him seriously. Nolan was arrested. It is a liquid to the latter took a club and struck him was arrested. It is a liquid to the latter took a club and struck him was arrested. It is a liquid to the latter took a club and struck him thrice on the latter took a club and the latter too

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PRESENTMENT BY THE GRAND JURY OF WESTCHESTER COUNTY. Escape of Convicts, and Why They have

Attempted to Except A Dash at the Prison Association—Klabbrate Defence of the Prison-house Barbarrites.

An adjourned term of the Court of General Sessions for Westchester county was held at Bedford yesterday, before the Hon. Robert Cochrane, County Judge, and Myron H. Stikman and David K. of receiving from the Grand Jury a presentment (being the result of their investigations) in relation to the management of affairs at the State Prison at Sing Sing, and the escape of convicts from that in-

dations for prisoners in the County Jail at White

stitution; also in reference to the lack of accommo

dations for prisoners in the County Jail at White
Plains. The presentment is as follows:
To the Court of Sessions of Westchester County:
The Grand Juros of the people of the State of New
York, in and for the county of Westchester, do respectfully present:
That in accordance with the charge of His Honor the
Court and the County of Westchester, do respectfully present:
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Grand Juros and his state Prison there as time and
opportunity allowed.
Witnesses were examined, consisting of the agent
and warden, clerk, physician, keepers, past and present, guards, past and present, contractors, superintendent of the quarries and time works, chiefs of various
prison departments, and citizens of the town.
The summary of the evidence we respectfully beg
leave to submit to the Court as follows:

As to the escape of convicts we find that since the
pastent and Warden took possession of the office,
son. Of these five have been retaken, and six are still
at large. Sixteen have made attempts to escape, but
have not succeeded in getting beyond the reach of the
guards and keepers.
When a convict is known to have escaped, or it is
supposed that one has secreted himself, the convicts are
immediately locked up in their cells, if not already in
theur, and the whole force at the disposal of the Warden is employed in the search for the missing party,
intelligence of the escape having been already telegraying the present year.
We also find that the disposable means at the command of the principal officers of the prison during the
year 1898 who were not recaptured during that year.
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present about 1,250 male convicts and about 120 females in this prison.

We believe that the number of guards should be increased, so as somewhat to correspond with the increased, so as somewhat to correspond with the increased number of convicts, or otherwise the grounds should be walled in.

It is impossible under present arrangements to prevent occasional escapes, and the knowledge of this fact cannot produce other than a bad influence on the minus of the convicts, operating against their proper subjection to discipline, and suggesting frequent attempts to escape. escape.

We also find a respect to the late revolt on July 8, '99, that there was a general discontent, among a large por-

We also find a respect to the late revolt on July 8, '99, that there was a general discontent among a large portion of the male convicts—any about one-half—and that these were mainly indisenced by a few ringlesders, probably 30 to 40.

That the disturbance began on Thursday, July 8, and was not quo led not in Monday or Tnee-day following, but we believe the magnitude and character of said revolutions.

We have been much exaggerated in the polished statements.

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1. The sweeping charges of officers, and especially of keepers, with every change of political pover by which new men are introduced, with new ideas, and frequently without experience, and in this licitator, as in former cases, has worked injury to the discipline of the prison.

The Grand Jury also present the Westchester County jail unfit for habitation until radical changes shall have been made. The juross stand, politically, 10 republicans and 9 Democrats.

THE SARATOGA RACES.

The Second Day's Sport-Who Witnessed It

—The Winners.

Saratoga, Aug. 5.—Contrary to all expectations, this norning dawned light and clear, and everything was favorable to the day's sport. An immense crowd was present. Among the distinguished personages we observed Ger. Sheridan, Gov. Hoffman, Senstor Bayard, Gov. Brown, the Hon, John A. Griswold, Midshipman Mason, Gov. Clafin, of Massachusetts, Gov. Page, of Vermont, Gen. Gordon Granger, Ex-Gov. Herbert, of Louisiana, Thomas J. Creamer, Harry Genet, Michael Morton, and others. The track was in first rate condition.

The first race was a burdle race, for all ages, two miles, over eight burdles, 3½ feet tigh, welter weights; \$400 to the second horse, if three or more start. Lobella was the favorite on pools of \$500. This horse was rode by Mr. Elwes. Mitenell brought \$360, and Ripley \$100. Ripley was leaten off early in the race. Time, 4:03½.

The second race was for the Saratoga Cup, for all ages, 2½ miles, \$60 entrance. p. p., \$1,000 added. Local, \$160 et Newboard attarted at the three-quarter pole, and all ran together the first mile and a half. Raymond came home and casy winner by half a dozen lengths. Vauxhall, Plantagenet, Bayonet, and Nellie was placed tourd, Plantagenet for the second piece. Nellie was placed tourd, Plantagenet for the second piece. Nellie was placed tourd, Plantagenet, The last race was for a purse of \$400, for all ages, three-quarters of a mile. Tole was won by Mr. Morrisa's Fanny Ludlow by four lengths. Mr. Walden's Sanford, second, and Bowie and Hali's Legatee, third. Then, 4:10. The Second Day's Sport-Who Witnessed It

The body of an unknown man was found drowned title older yesterday atternoon. Daniel Bruen, of Madison, who recently killed a Mr. Buck at Successions, has been pronounced insane. He has been taken to the State Asylum at Truston. David Davine, a bridge tender, was struck by a lo-comotive at the Hacksmack bridge, yesterday after-noon, and lataily injured.

Last evening Coroner White continued the inquest in the case of the death of william Lawrence at Hobo-ken, who was found on the morning of the lith of July in the canal, near the ferry, stabbed in five places.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE. John G. Whittler is at the Isles of Shoals.

Secretary Robeson is yet a backelor; age, 40 weight, 195.

[Gen. Logan's mother, a widow, keeps a hotel at
Murphysboro, Ill., and has done so for many years.

Mrs. Beisy Robinson, of Lebanon, Conn., attended
church on her one hundredth birthday, July 11.

One of the legal heirs of Lord Thomas Stow, of
England, is keeping a store in Totland, Conn. The Chinese grant visited the Hon. Horace Gree ley yesterday, and laid trains for a first-class puff.

Archibald W. Davis, a compositor, died in St. Luke's Hospital, aged 28. He was born in Richmond. The Rev. Mr. Strong, of Cicveland, has had a \$19,000 call to the New York Bleecker street Baptist Church.

Gen. Rosecrans, late U. S. Minister to Mexico, arrived in San Francisco on Wednerday, and was seronaded by the Young Men's Democratic Citib.

The Rev. Dr. E. D. O. Frime, editor of the New York Observer, passed through Chicago yesterday, enroute to San Francisco, ou a trip around the world. Dr. John B. McMunn, an eminent physician of Orange Co., the author of several educational works, and the originator of "McMunn's Efficient of Opinin, died in Port Jervis, N. Y., restorday.

Col. Ailen, of the Fifty-fith New York Volunteers visited the Str office jesterday, and formally declined—for both a himself and his genmand—to ongage if the accorded day with the overfeating Sergest. THE GREAT RAILROAD FIGHT.

Kicking Out a Ratirond President-Bursting into the Company's Office and Seizing its Books-Riot Threatened-Jay Gould & Co. Victorious.
ALBANT, Aug. 5.-Mr. Sherman, of the firm of

Fields & Sherman, of New York, arrived in this city to-day with injunctions from Judge Barnard to erve on President Ramsey and Tressurer Phelps, of the Susquehanna Railroad. The complaint in the case of the Treasurer recited that he had refused to transfer the stock of the towns of Oneonta and Worcester, being incited to this action by President Ramsey. The complaint against President Ramsey is based on the Issue of certain stock about a year ago, and he is enjoined from further issue of stock, and from acting as President of the road. In the absence of President Ramsey, Col. North locked the doors of the offices of the Company, but they were immediately reopened by Superintendent Van Val-kenburg. A large crowd gathered about the office, as there were indications of an outbreak, but the police having been summoned quiet was restored. cob Leonard, one of Col. North's party seized the scrip book, but brought it back after Sidney, Delaware county, was transferred to Jay Gould, and the crowd dispersed; but the end is

The Boston TRAGEDY.

Keeping a Madman in the House—The Mur-der Described by the Victim's Husband— The Coroner's Inquest. Bostov, Aug. 5.—The jury of inquest on the death of Mrs. Alvah Hobbs, who was shot on Tuesday night by Major Thomas L. White, held a session this afternoon. Dr. Alvah Hobbs was the first wit-ness examined. He entered his parlor at about 10 o'clock on Tuesday evening, and conversed with thereafter he heard the report of a pistol. Mrs. Hobbs partly opened the door into the ball, but closed it instantly, and cried out, "Doctor, he's got a pistol!" at the same time putting her shoulder against the door. He ran toward the door, and had advanced a few steps when a second discharge

against the door. He ran toward the door, and had advanced a few steps when a second discharge came. Mrs. Hobbs stargered back, threw up her hands, and exclaimed:

"Oh, father! (the term she always applied to her husband, I am shot." Witness sprang to her, saw that she was fatally wounded, loft her in the care of Mr. Bullock, and ran to the police station. When he returned he found his wife dead. He could not see White when he first came from the room, but supposed he might be hid under the stairs, and was not certain that he saw him at all. At tea Mr. White was very quiet, and the only conversation at the table was in reference to a headache which that gentleman was laboring under. Mrs. Hobbs, when she went to the door, remarked to her husband that Mr. White was trying to fighten them. He was in the habit of firing platols.

One day last week White followed Mrs. Hobbs out of the house with a platol in his hand but committed no overt act, and for many weeks he had slept with a loaded pistol under his pillow. Mrs. Hobbs never went to his room to request him to cease reading so loud, as was reported, but sent a servant girl to do so. White was a quick-tempered, reckless fellow; in 1861 he was eaught with a butcher's knife threatening to kill Mrs. Hobbs, but was prevented by Mr. Hobbs, who threw him on his back, took the knife from him, and gave him he charge of an officer.

Annie Coleman and Catharine B. McCarty, the family servants, were examined. The latter had heard White on several occasions threaten to kill Mrs. Hobbs, and himself also. When she went to the parior White was a sought or helps to wards whom he seemed to entertain a peculiar spite. White was a militor of his victiu in her girlhood.

The inquest was here adjourned.

The Murder of Dr. Haughey.

Collecting Other Men's Rent. George Keating, a youngster of respectable connections, was committed yesterday at the Tombs on the charge of pretending to be the agent of J. H. iardner, of 86 Hoyt street, Brooklyn, and of collect-

Another Seasions Prisoner Escapes.
James Morton was committed last week by
Justice Hogan, at the Tombe, for stealing six dozen
vulture feathers. He was taken yesterday to the
Goneral Seasions, and as his case was not called up,
he was remanded to the Tombs, in the custody of
Mr. Stripp, a Court officer. On the way back, Morton slipped sway from the officer, and although pursued, outstripped him. A general slarm was sent
out, but Morton made good his escape.

The Heavy and Light Weights Matched.

Murder in Philadelphia. Francis Wyckoff (German), aged 30 years, was tabbed and killed yesterday by Henry Carr (colored), luring a dispute in a barber shop in the southern part of Philadelphia. The murderer escaped.

The Erin, Palmyra, and Bremen arrived last The Cummings Association dance at Union Park on the 12th. curvely.

Carleton is altering, for his publishing business, the "worth House," at Fifth avenue, Broadway, and Matison square.

A gas meter exploded instevening in the basement of 378 Second avenue, and a gas pipe at 398 Kast Twenty-toorth strest.

The Twentieth Ward Democratic Association last signar made arrangements for a grand pionic to take place Aug. 16, in Kin Tark.

A picule of Lodges 69, 105, 119, 129, 138, 143, and 137 of the Knights of St. Crispin, is down for the 23d last, in Fuck's Union Park.

Amelia W. Weisser, agad 34. committed anelds. Amrila W. Weisser, aged 34, committed suicide by taking landanum, at 81 Laurens street. She was the wfo of a cigar maker. of taxing landanum, at 81 haurens street. She was the w for 6 a cigar maker.

James Fisk, Jr., visited the Jefferson Market Police Gourt yesterday as complainant against a young thief who hal stoom his gas fatures.

The Union Republican Central Committee will meet in the Everett Rooms, Thirty-fourth street and Sixth avenue, this evening, at 8 o'clock.

Damon Lodge No. 19, Knights of Pythias, was organized at 255 Fast Twenty-townth street last evening, by Grand Chanceller Levy.

The David Davis Chowder Club propose to eat all the clams and postatoes that can be found in Kemler's Hotel, at 455 Pearl street, on Monday evening, at 8 o'clock. It is said that Richard O'Gorman, Baq., intends to make a clean sweep of the subordinate employees of Castle Garden who have been guilty of impositions upon emigrants.

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On Saturday morning the Board of Health will meet specially to consider the repriety of revoking all permits for fat melting at once, instead of waiting till the lat of October.

The working members of the Board of Health, Mr. Lincoln and Dr. Smith, are about to visit and report upon all vessels in barbor which have come from infected ports. upon all vessels in barbor which have come from infected ports.

The Matthew T. Brennan Association last night elected Richard Field, President; David Ridney, Secretary, Michael Manix, Treasurer; Corrosponding Secretary, John Modweedy.

Two tranks containing false bottoms, in which were stored several thousand doliars worth of laces, lowelry, diamonts and precious stones belonging to A. D. Oppenheim, a merchant of this city, who arrived by the Chinbria from Hamburg on Wednosday, were selected by the Custom House authorities.

A man came over from Germany to this country about three months ago with 500 gross of whistles, which cost him at the rate of half a cent each, and retailed hom in the streets of hew York at three cents each, thereby realizing a profit of \$2,200. He was familiarly known as "Stop the Car."

Standard Lodge No. 466 L. O. G. T., has installed A. C. T. L. C. Johnston; W. T. M. J. Jordan; W. F. S. C. M. Orpea; W. A. S., H. S. McCullum; W. F. S. C. M. Orpea; W. A. S., H. S. McCullum; W. F. S. C. M. Orpea; W. D. M. R. Manrhossy; W. U., M. Daley; L. Hobren; W. D. M. R. Manrhossy; W. U., M. Daley; L. H. L. J. Nath; O. S. Jes. McGrafa.

THE OLD WORLD'S NEWS:

APPALLING CATASTROPHE IN A SICILIAN CATHEDRAL.

The Drapery on Fire-Paule Among the Con-gregation-The Flight for the Street-Sixteen Persons Trampled to Deeth-Many Others Budly Bruised. FLORENCE, Aug. 5.—During the celebration of

a great festival in the Cathedral of Trani, Sicily, the frapery caught fire. The church was crowded at the time. The congregation was seized with panic, and a rush was made for the doors. In the confusion sixteen persons were trampled to death, and a large number were badly bruised. The fire was sily extinguished before any considerable damage had been done to the Cathedral.

The Assassin of the Prince of Service. PESTH, Aug. 5.—The Emperor Francis Joseph Prince Karsgeorgewitch for the pardon of her ba-band, accused of assassinating the late Prince of Servia, and has ordered that his case be dealt with by the ordinary tribunals.

The Royal Yacht Squadron Re The Royal Yacht Squadron Races.

Cowzs, Aug. 5.—To-day, the third of the Royal
Yacht Squadron Regatis, the race for the
twn cup, a piece of plate valued at \$100,
took place. It was sailed over the Queen's
course. 50 miles, and was a time race,
of the Royal Yacht Squadron scale. The weather
was fine. Thirteen yachts started. The race was
won by Mr. T. Chamberlayne's cutter Arrow, 103
tons. Mr. R. Sutton's schooner Aline, 216 tons, was
second, and Mr. C. J. Tennant's cutter Olmars, 145
tons, third.

The Harvard Crew Rearranged. London, Aug. 5.—The Harvard crew has been rearranged as follows: Loring, stroke; Simmons; Rice; Bass, bow. Their speed has improved, and in their practice yesterday they made from 37 to a strokes per minute.

The Irish Church Complications. The Irish Church Compilentions.

DUBLIN, Aug. 5.—The Irish Bishops in conference here have resolved that a General Synod, in which the laity as well as the clergy are to be represented, shall assemble at an early day. They have also decided to convene Provincial Synods, to consider the local changes necessary to be made in the church under the present circumstances.

The corporation of the city of Waterford have passed a vote of thanks to Mr. Gladstone, for the successful passage of the Irish Church bill.

Napelcon's Sops for the People PARIS, Aug. 5.—It is reported that the Emperor will soon issue a manifesto, as mounting as the last act of his personal government the reduction of cortain taxes, and the extension of the education spetem of France.

The Baron von Bunsby's Opinion. Vienna, Aug. 5.—During the discussion of the war estimates in the Reichsrath, Baron Von Beuef said it was hazardous to promise to maintain peace for a considerable length of time; but he expressed the opinion that if no war occurred during the next four years, the preservation of the peace of Europe for a long period beyond was certain.

Telegraphic Notes from the Old World. The Canadian Loan bill was read the second time in the British Commons last night. In the British Commons last night. In the British Commons last night, Mr. Otway said that in consequence of a recommendation of the official committee, the Government had declined to fill the va-cancy in the British Consulation at Chicago.

THE LABOR MOVEMENT.

The Tailore' Strike.

The Executive Committee of Tailors met yeaterday morning, and were visted by a large number of tailors, some of whom brought in unfurnished work. It was announced that James Wilde had seconded to the proposed price list. Grünbaum Bros. sent in a list, which was not decemed satisfactory; but an equitable arrangement may be made with that firm. Devlin & Co. and Snaffer Brothers have agreed to pay the prices demanded. In the evening energetic and vigorous speeches were delivered before a large and enthusiastic audience. The tailors have resolved to win.

Several labor organizations transacted routine The miners of Port Heary, Resex County, N. Y., who are on strike, are going about to all the small iros beds and competiling the men to stop work. A meeting of the printers of Goshen, Middletown, and Port Jervis is called at the Mercury office. Middletown, next Saturday evening, to form a Typographical Union,

A neeting of workmen in St. Louis on Wednesday night formed a State Labor Association, and elected delegates to the National Labor Congress, to be held in Philadelphia Angust 16.

The Journeymen Barbers' Union met last night, and elected their President, Mr. Tourelle, to represent them in the National Labor Union. Three delegates are to be sent to the Arbeiters' Union next meeting. are to be sent to the Arbeiters' Union next meeting.

The Laboring Men's Convention, in Virginia City.
Nevada, declare that the importation of Asiaties, and
their employment in the mines or other fields of labor,
must be discontinued, or it will bring on an "irrepresible condict," likely to end in bloodshed and ruin.

The Clothing Cutters met last night at 19 Stanton
street, under the Presidency of Mr. Schafer, and in consideration of the present tailors' strike, it was resolved
to hold a meeting on Sainiday evening next. President Schafer was elected delegate to the International
Tailors' Convention.

SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH. The Indian war in Yucatan is extending.
Goyree R. Shaekley, a builder, hanged himself in lvary stable, in South Boston, on Wednesday.
The tobacce fair in Cincinnati yesterlay was well sittended.

The Providence Marine Artiflery paid Hartford a A little daughter of Mr. Walters, of Port Jervia, N. Y., was drowned in the causi on Wednesday. The Mexican national troops have defeated the revolutionists in Tumanilpas. The century plant in Frost's greenhouse, Rochester, N. Y., put out twenty blossoms on Wednesday.

Emity R. Ricker committed suicide by taking exalic acid, in Gorham, Me., on Wednesday. Rugene Carr, of Holdersess, N. H., a freuen en-tie floston and Maine Railroad, had both log-broken off yesterday morning at the Newmarket Junction. The Grand Lodge of I. O. O. F. of Manuchunetts, in Boston, yesterday reported a membership of \$48 members, a gain of 1,320 within the year. Two sons of C.D. Riggs, aged 13 and 8 years respectively, were drowned in a mill pond, in Chili, K. Y. on Wednesday. Notes we denoted by the control of t The examination of Carvajal, Espinosa, Sanchez, and Vargas, on charges of disloyalty, was in progress in the city of Mexico on the 1st inst. and varias, on charges of disloyalty, was in progress in the city of Mexico on the ist inst.

The Northwestern Wool Growers and Manufacturers' Association met in Cincinnati yesterday, and acopted resolutions approving the present tariff and opposing a renewal of the reciprocity treaty.

Prominent citizens and Ecropeans have been agassinate Prosident Juares and his ministers, and pittage the oky. Minister Nelson refused to interfore.

Eugene Carr, a fireman on the Boston and Maine Rallroad, was fatally crushed yesterday morning, in while it was in motion.

They are investigating the circumstances of the death of the third wife of Jr. Daval, who is in the Jacomille (Wis.) jadi on charge of poisoning his fearth wife. No.3 died suddenly July II, 1988.

Charles McKeon, brother of the Hos. James Mo-

No.3 died suddenly July II, 1984.

Charles McKeon, brother of the Hon. James McKeon, was found insensible in Young's marble yard in Troy, with a wound over his left temple. He died at S.A.M. yesterday morning. He is supposed to have been murdered.

Members of the two armice, who have not heard of the postponement of the laying out of the dedt of Getlysburg, are arriving in large numbers. The posttone of the Iron Brigade have been satisfactorily determined.

The University Convention, in Albany, yes resolved to ugge the next Legislature to pass a encourage and protect endowments; they also re-to recommend to Congress the unfaction of the of the world. The National Tobacco Association was organic Cincilnusti yesterday, with William E. Lawres New York, as President; L. H. Frayser, of Richard York-Trailland; and Joseph Hall, of New York